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THE ADVERTISER'S SEMI-WEEKLY

BREVITIES

(From Saturday Advertiser)
Despatches from Hilo reported that at a public meeting there last Thursday, the telephone rates were pronounced satisfactory.

The Charles G. Bartlett home in Kalahele has been bought by Arthur F. Wall, at a price that has not been made public.

Under \$3000 bond, Patrick F. Ryan was appointed by Judge Whitney yesterday as guardian of Thomas C. and Kathleen D. B. Ryan, minors.

A demand for trial of the cause before a jury has been filed by the defendant in the circuit court in the case of Charles S. Martin against J. A. Rortfeld, an action to quiet title.

The taking of the proof of heirs in the matter of the estate of Caroline Leihula Clark, deceased, was continued by Judge Whitney yesterday to nine o'clock next Wednesday morning.

Acknowledging receipt of \$70 in full of alimony due her in the divorce case of Emma Quinn against Joseph Quinn, Mrs. Quinn filed yesterday in the circuit court a full satisfaction and release to her suit.

Hon. Seth C. Huber, United States district attorney here since last Monday, was admitted to practice in the federal court yesterday. The oath was administered to Mr. Huber by George R. Clark, clerk.

Leslie P. Scott, examiner, has filed in the land court his report on the petition of the First American Savings & Trust Company for registered title to land in Maunaloa. He recommends that such title issue.

Convicted by a jury in the federal court on Thursday of leading in opium, John McCann and Thomas White were each sentenced to one year's imprisonment. The costs of court will be paid between the two.

City Engineer Collins has been running his automobile about the city and island at an average of 1100 miles a month. His speedometer registered 3300 miles on Thursday, just three months after his installation.

Judge Clemons has sustained the motion in arrest of judgment and ordered the defendant released from custody in the case of the United States against William Clifford, who was mixed up in the recent robbery of drugs at Schofield Barracks.

The final accounts of Dr. Clifford B. High, administrator of the estate of Peter High, deceased, has been filed in the circuit court, showing receipts of \$6471.65 and disbursements of \$1873.45. The matter will be taken up by Judge Whitney on June 27.

Judgment by default has been given by Judge Stuart against the defendant in the case of Cecil Brown against Helen Widemann, known as Mrs. Carl Widemann, for \$800 due on a promissory note, \$292.93 interest and eleven dollars and fifty cents costs of court.

Judge Clemons will not leave the Territory until after the trial of the Davis case, for which Judge Morrow of the ninth circuit of appeals of San Francisco is coming here. Judge Morrow will arrive, it is expected, in the morning next Tuesday morning. District Attorney Huber will conduct the case for the government, while Judge Clemons will likely be called as a witness for the prosecution.

There is plitika ahead for Oscar Nelson Anderson, who has been cited to appear before Judge Stuart next Monday and show cause why, under the pending divorce case filed against him by his wife, Mrs. Mary Louis Anderson, he should not be adjudged guilty of contempt of court for having failed to pay her twenty-five dollars a month alimony and thirty dollars costs of court, according to Judge Stuart's decree of some time ago.

(From Sunday Advertiser)
R. A. Cooke, C. H. Atherton, W. A. Love, F. D. Lowrey and C. G. Heiser have been named by Frank C. Atherton, president of the Y. M. C. A., as members of the finance committee of the organization.

C. Bolte was the purchaser of 1.64 acres of land in Maunaloa, which was sold at public auction by Land Commissioner Rivenburgh yesterday. The land was put up at the upset price of \$120 and was finally knocked down to Mr. Bolte for \$810.

Henry Wise will leave shortly for the mainland to bring to Honolulu Frank Poole's Darktown Follies, consisting of twenty-three people. They are now doing the Middle West States. They will show here at the Bijou Theater and are expected to arrive about the end of July.

Robert Akoe, William Smith, Valente Kawai, John Nieper and Joseph K. Kawai, Hawaiian singers and pianists, in the office of the clerk of the federal court yesterday for passports to travel in the several countries of the Orient. They will leave in the China Mail steamer China on May 30.

More arrests in the clean up campaign against illegal practitioners of medicine and surgery are promised next week by City Attorney A. M. Brewster. K. Tamashior and Y. Furusawa, the two men already under arrest, charged with practicing medicine without a license, will appear for trial in the police court Wednesday morning.

The divorce cases of Shorter, Almeida, Aikau and Kumagai, uncontested, are on Judge Stuart's calendar for trial tomorrow. He will also hear the order to show cause in the Malakana case and take up the contempt proceedings in the Anderson divorce matter. Other cases to be taken up are those of Fred K. Makino against C. H. Atherton and others, bill of costs, and Honolulu Lodge No. 1, Modern Order of Phoenix, against the Trent Trust Company, motion.

(From Tuesday Advertiser)
A decree registering title to land in Punauni, this city, was ordered issued yesterday by Judge Whitney to Carl B. Andrews and others.

City Physician J. T. Wayson takes exception to the manner in which Park Corona nursing home and hospital have been taken over by the city, written to the mayor and supervisors protesting against the issuance of a license to him for the sale of milk under present conditions.

PERSONALS

M. Asanomi has become editor of the Nippon Jiji, succeeding Y. Fujiwara, who has resigned in order to enter a mainland college, probably the University of Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Dougherty, residing at the corner of Bingham and Arden streets, are the parents of a daughter born to them this morning about one o'clock.

Fred L. Waldron and his sons, Stanley and Redvers, who have been at Hilo-Hook Military Academy during the last school year, are expected home on the Makura, June 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Morehead, of 1583 Nuanuanu avenue, had their family circle increased last Sunday through the arrival of a daughter, who has been named Marguerite May.

John L. Fleming of the James F. Morgan Company, who has been in the Big Island on business for some time past, is expected to arrive this morning in the Mauna Kea from Hilo.

H. Cushman Carter, who has been in Southern California, on a health seeking trip, will return to Honolulu in the Sonoma, which is due here from San Francisco a week from next Monday.

Henry W. Kinney, superintendent of public instruction, left last Thursday for Kauai. He will look into the need for new school buildings and teachers and report to the commissioners at the meeting to be held on Monday, May 29.

Lieut. John E. Hatch, First Field Artillery, U. S. A., and Mrs. Hatch of Schofield Barracks, this island, welcomed a little baby girl at the Department Hospital, Fort Shafter, last Tuesday. She has been named Mollie Leake.

Capt. Paul B. Malone, Second Infantry, U. S. A., with members of his family and a party of friends, may leave in the Mauna Kea this afternoon for Hilo on a visit to the Volcano of Kilauea. The party will return in the same steamer on Tuesday of next week.

(From Sunday Advertiser)
Attorney Carl S. Carlsmith of Hilo was among the Big Island arrivals by the Mauna Kea yesterday.

Arthur Waul, former postmaster of Lahaina, Maui, is visiting the city and expects to remain here some time.

T. J. Ryan was a passenger in the Mauna Kea yesterday afternoon to Hilo. He went to fill the position of clerk in Judge Quinn's circuit court.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. McDrew of 1228 Kinross street welcomed the arrival of a girl, to whom they gave the name of Dorothy Alice. Mr. and Mrs. George W. Armitage of Schofield Barracks had their family circle increased last Sunday through the arrival of a son. He has been named Harvey.

Jay A. Urice is forced to stay away from his desk at the Y. M. C. A., owing to throat trouble, but he is already doing nicely and hopes to return to his duties very shortly.

Henry W. Kinney, superintendent of public instruction, returned yesterday from Kauai, having spent Friday in the Garden Island looking into the needs of the schools.

(From Tuesday Advertiser)
Sam K. Oncha of the waterworks department is back at his desk after a pleasant vacation.

David B. Silva of B. F. Ehlers & Co., will undergo today a second operation for appendicitis.

Among Honoluluans expected this morning in the Matsonia from San Francisco is Charles G. Bockus.

Walter F. Dillingham is ill in the Beretania Hospital. Dr. J. A. Morgan, the attending physician, said last night that the condition of his patient was not at all serious.

Charles C. White and family, of Hilo and Kahului, Maui, will leave for the mainland some time next month to reside permanently, they having sold their property in the Valley Island to Harold W. Rice.

John Lennox, manager of the N. S. Sachs Dry Goods Company will leave in the Stearns this afternoon for the mainland in the interests of his firm. Mr. Lennox expects to be away two months and will go as far as New York City.

Kenneth C. Hopper, business manager of the Garden Island, published in Lihue, is in the city to meet Mrs. Hopper, who will return from the mainland to day in the Matsonia. Mr. and Mrs. Hopper expect to return to Kauai tomorrow.

First Lieut. Richard H. Kimball, Fourth Cavalry, aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. J. P. Wadsworth, U. S. Army, will soon be relieved from duty on the general's staff. He has been granted leave of absence, effective July 1, for a period of one month and twenty-eight days.

Duke Kahanamoku while in San Francisco visited with Francis Brown, who left here for treatment for an injured limb. Duke reports that Brown has entirely recovered the use of his leg and expects to return to Honolulu about the middle of June.

Applications for passports have been made in the office of the clerk of the federal court by Senator Alfred L. Castle, to travel in Canada, F. E. Steere, likewise; Miss Pauline Elizabeth Schaefer, Orient, and Prof. Joseph F. Rock, botanist, Orient, the last mentioned expecting to leave Honolulu on June 14 in the Makura, via Australia.

A. L. Castle, alternate delegate to the Republican national convention, from Hawaii, leaves this morning for Chicago and will arrive in time to catch the big "dodgers." The other alternate, W. C. Achil, will not depart with Castle on the ground that the trip would be fruitless since he would have no voice in committee or convention, nor possess a vote.

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PINEAPPLE CONCERN
WILL RAISE WAGES

Hawaii Hoochi Reports Statement Made By Lewis E. Arnold To That Effect

The Hawaii Hoochi reports that Lewis E. Arnold, superintendent of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company, informed his editor personally yesterday that the wages of the firm's cannery employees in this city are to be increased ten per cent in the near future. "It is interesting to compare this with a report from Japanese pineapple laborers at Heela, Oahu," says the Hoochi. "According to the report, the laborers in the pineapple fields, who at present are getting a dollar and ten cents a day, are to receive an increase of ten cents. It is uncertain when the promised raise will go into effect, and the laborers are saying that it prompts less than the sugar plantations nearby, and they are inclined to quit pineapple culture and join the sugar plantation forces."

MANY GARDEN ISLANDERS
ARE COMING TO CARNIVAL

Interest in Kamehameha Day Found To Be General

Raymond C. Brown is much pleased with the results of his trip to Kauai in the interests of a big celebration to be held here on Kamehameha Day. He found the residents of the Garden Isle, individually interested in the reduced fares and hotel rates and many promises were given that the Kaunians would send a large delegation here for the events.

Brown left for Maui last evening, where he will address the Maui chamber of commerce today on the matter of sending a big crowd here for the carnival, and after a thorough canvass of Maui he will go to Hawaii and stir up interest there.

MANOA PEOPLE SLOW
PAYING FRONTAGE TAX

Only Seventeen of 250 Residents of District Have Paid

According to official returns, the residents of Manoa who were so anxious to be the first to put the frontage tax into effect are rather slow in paying up their assessments for the work.

Up to yesterday although more than half the time for the payments has expired, but seventeen out of 250 property owners have come through with their assessments, amounting to a little over \$1,200, while the entire cost of the work is to be \$165,000.

On June 4, the settlement will be delinquent, and all who have not paid by that time will be liable to suit by the city. The tax is a lien on the property and a cloud on the title unless paid. Until the money is turned in or arrangements made by the property holders to pay in installments the work will be held up.

AUTO SKIDDED INTO
POST—ARTERY CUT

Miss Frances M. Gould, matron of the Castle Home, Manoa, had the artery of her left wrist severed as the result of an automobile skidding on Nuanuanu street, near the cemetery, yesterday, the machine smashing up against a telephone pole. Miss Gould was thrown against the wind shield, which smashed, the breaking glass cutting her wrist and inflicting several minor cuts about the body. She was taken to Doctor Jackson's office, where the severed artery attended to.

Miss Gould, in company with three members of the College Club, was returning from a meeting of the club at the Queen Emma house, when the automobile travelling on a wet road started to skid. After turning completely around on the road the machine ended in its rotary fight by dashing against the pole.

HILO UNION SCHOOL
IS BEING ENLARGED

Work on the Hilo Union school is progressing well and the \$25,000 being expended in the additions will complete two wings of four rooms each. The work must be finished by December 15 and there is every indication that it will be completed before the time specified in the contract.

BISHOP ESTATE WANTS
PARK SITE CARED FOR

The Bishop Estate, which turned over to the city land at the corner of Nuanuanu street and Pauoa road, for a park site so long as the city would take care of it and exempt the estate from paying taxes on it, has written to the city engineer complaining of the manner in which the grounds are not kept up. The city engineer has referred the letter to the board of supervisors to have the matter referred to the committee on parks, which now has charge of such matters.

JAPANESE CAUGHT
TORTURING CHILD

Was Burning Girl's Flesh With Fire Made From Leaves of Moxa Plant

A man has been arrested in Honolulu, Hawaii, for practicing "witchcraft." He is a Japanese and was giving the "moxa" treatment to a three-year-old girl. After his arrest he was liberated on the deposit of \$100 cash bail and as soon as he got his freedom decamped for parts unknown.

Since the board of health has taken up the matter of the illegal practice of medicine and surgery throughout the Territory, by unlicensed practitioners, there have been several arrests. One here and in Hawaii and the country districts of the Big Island are full of reports of kahunas and witchcraft practised by others than the Hawaiians.

The "moxa" treatment is said to be a most cruel one and consists of denuding nerves of the body by burning the flesh of the patient with a piece of iron which has on the end of it fire made from the dried leaves of the moxa plant. In the case under investigation by the police of Honolulu, three adults were discovered treating a baby. Two of them were holding her and stifling her cries, while the "doctor" was applying the cure. He was caught in the act and the patient relieved of her suffering.

The action of the law under which the Japanese was arrested is as follows: "Sorcery, penalty. Any person who shall attempt the cure of another by practice of sorcery, witchcraft, anaesthesia, hypnosis, hounouna, hounouna, or other deceitful or superstitious methods, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in the sum not less than one hundred dollars, nor more than two hundred dollars, or be imprisoned at hard labor not to exceed six months."

'PRINCESS' THERESA
COMES TO FORE AGAIN

Theresa Wilcox-Belliveau has "jumped" a portion of the site selected by the government for the new federal building, and according to her statement will attempt to collect as much money for the property as possible, in the condemnation proceedings now pending in the federal court. "Princess" Theresa claims that in 1912, she purchased a piece of property at the junction of Merchast and King streets and extended along the junction from the Waikiki end of the tenement courts to the Ewa steps of the Opera House, from an old Hawaiian named Kaleokekei, who was turned over to C. Bolte in trust for her. Her right to the property is being contested by E. I. Spalding of the Bank of Honolulu. The "princess" will claim \$100,000 for the land.

This is the second time that "Princess" Theresa has proclaimed herself as a valuable property holder. A few months ago she "squatted" on the Gore lot, at the corner of King and Richards streets, at which place she has erected a rent service and garage. Her action was protested by the Bishop Estate, but the matter has never been given a hearing in the courts.

HEALANIS HAVE NEW
BARGE BUILT HERE

A new six-onr barge for the Healani Yacht and Boat club has been finished in the yard of a local boat-builder and is being given its finishing coat of varnish preparatory to being tried out. The boat is built on the same plan as the last Rogers boat imported by the club from the Coast and it is claimed that it is a complete duplicate of that craft.

The Rogers boat cost landed here nearly \$1000, while the boat turned out by the local builder will cost completely only \$250. Whether the new boat will be as fast as the others remains to be seen but she will be given her try-out as soon as the paint is dry enough. She has been christened "Healani Maru" by the boys, who have been very much interested in watching her construction.

GOVERNMENT PHYSICIAN
IN MOLOKAI UNDER FIRE

Complaints of the manner in which Doctor Hayes of Molokai is attending to his duties as government physician were aired at the meeting of the Maui supervisors last week and Chairman Kalama authorized to investigate things. Doctor Hayes receives a salary of sixty dollars a month. He is located at Pukou. It is proposed by C. C. Conrad of Molokai that this salary be divided between Hayes and Doctor Sanborn of the Molokai Branch. Besides getting a salary from the county of Maui, Hayes is in receipt of a salary from the Territory, so the board of health also will be called into investigation matters which the Maui papers term "a quarrel between the medics or their friends."

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Roosevelt's Opportunity

MAKING the prediction that Colonel Roosevelt will not receive the nomination for president in the Republican convention because of the inability of the bulk of that party to forget 1912 and that he will not consider it worth his while to accept the empty honor from his own Progressive convention, the New York Times remarks editorially that the Preparedness leader has, before him nevertheless, "a great opportunity, a great duty, a great work, not for himself alone, not for any party, but for the whole country."

The Times says that Colonel Roosevelt's recent speech in Chicago shows how he can best serve himself and the country. The speech is characterized as an earnest, effective, eloquent plea for preparedness, for military preparation imperatively demanded by the greatness of the nation, for the protection of its people and its vast interests and the work it has done and has yet to do in the service of civilization.

The Times especially likes this paragraph from the speech:

I ask that we prepare ourselves within, and we can't not prepare ourselves within unless we also prepare against danger from without. I ask you to prepare others, not the peace of cowardice nor the peace of selfishness, but the peace of righteousness and of justice, the peace of brave men pledged to the service of this mighty democratic Republic, and through that service pledged also to the service of the world at large.

"This is the gospel of preparedness with a very great part of the American people already accepts, professes and believes in," says the Times. "It must be made the universal faith. It was well that Colonel Roosevelt made his speech in Chicago in the heart of the Middle West, where it has been felt that possibly the people had not been stirred to a due sense and realization of the nation's need, of the national duty. This is Colonel Roosevelt's work, this his opportunity. He can preach that gospel more effectively, perhaps, than any other man in the country. Let him travel through the West, through the South, everywhere an awakening is needed. He will speak as a partisan, he will pitch into the Administration and declaim against its failure to do all the things he now feels that he would have done. So much the better. The Democratic Party needs a whip and spur to overcome the sluggish inertia of its Hays and its Kittchins, to aid it in sloughing off its dead remnants of the Bryan influence."

"Greatest of all his texts" continues the Times, "is his doctrine of American loyalty."

"There can be no divided loyalty in this country," he said at Chicago: "the man who tries to be loyal to this country and also to some other country is certain in the end to put his loyalty to the other country ahead of his loyalty to this." In this great and needed work Colonel Roosevelt may render his countrymen a higher service than any he could hope to perform within the limitations of the presidential office. He will have entire freedom and no responsibilities. To have aroused the nation to the firm resolve to put away sloth and defend and safeguard its great place in the world, to put itself beyond the hazard of disaster and humiliation, would constitute an achievement fit to be the crowning work of his life."

When Mann Scored

THE defeat of the Clarke amendment to the Philippine bill, the passage of which measure was urged by President Wilson in a letter to the Democratic leaders of the House, is credited to the united work of three Republican congressmen—Miller of Illinois, Britten of Illinois and Edmunds of Pennsylvania—who were Honolulu's guests some months ago on their return trip from Manila. The Republican showing on the vote was the result of a careful program carefully mapped out when congress adjourned last spring by Minority Leader Mann.

Mr. Mann realized that the Democratic Party would be compelled to face the Philippine issue some time during the present session and before the presidential convention was held. He realized, also, that Republican sentiment was divided. Consequently he carefully selected the above congressmen to go to the Orient to make a first hand study of conditions there under Democratic rule.

These gentlemen made the trip and furnished the ammunition for the fight. When disaffection began to appear in the Democratic ranks the Republican leader exerted every ounce of his strength to iron out differences within the Republican ranks by personal conferences between one of his three envoys to Manila and the dissatisfied members of his own party. For the first time in seven years he was able to whip into line every Republican vote in the house. He did not confine his missionary work to his own side of the chamber either. The New York press has been particularly hostile to the scuttling policy of the administration particularly after the New York Times—the leading Democratic paper of the country—took sides with ex-Secretary of War Garrison in his difference with the President on the Philippine question which led to his resignation from the cabinet. Some thirty Democrats, including every member from New York, led by congressman Fitzgerald, voted with the Republicans. So dead is the issue now that discussion of the Philippine question or reference to the independence plank of the 1912 Democratic platform will be tabu in the coming campaign.

Helping Belgium

IT will come as something of a shock to the many who have been pluming themselves upon the much that the United States has been and is doing for the suffering Belgians to learn that a prominent official of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, in a letter to a Honolulu citizen acknowledging the receipt of a subscription, expresses a fear that after the war it will be found that America is the land which has profited, while Europe has fed Belgium and gone the more promptly to her need.

Under date of May 4, George Barr Baker, of the Organization Department of the commission, writes of Belgium's need and the lack of a corresponding response as follows:

At the very best, only a minimum ration, less than one-third what we consider necessary for ourselves, has been possible for these people. Any delay in our shipments which might run into two or three weeks would cause famine on a scale hitherto unknown in civilized times.

The almost self-sufficiency on the part of the Belgians themselves who have or had money; the most amazing liberality of the British throughout the Empire in spite of their almost overwhelming necessities at home, and certain arrangements the French have been able to make for themselves, has made provision for the winter, somewhat precarious to be sure, for the bare food necessities. This, it was expected would free the United States, temporarily for the work of supplying the clothing. You can probably imagine better than I can describe, the increasingly distressing situation to women and children into whose country no raw materials for the manufacture of clothing has come during a period of eighteen months. Many women of wealth, having gradually used up what they had not already divided, are finding themselves without the commonest necessities in the way of linen, etc.

In the meantime the presence of a large body of Americans working among them and guaranteeing their supplies, has awakened in the mind of Belgium an almost pathetic faith in the certainty that it is the Great Republic, whose flag they have come to worship, which will stand between them and the worst rigors of war.

They have even run away with the notion that it is the United States which is feeding them. This, of course, is far from true. We have given seven and one-half millions of the sixty millions spent in this country for their food and clothing. The rest has come from sources outside the United States. I am not belittling the splendid generosity which prompted the giving of seven millions and one-half, but I have moments almost of despair at the thought that when all is over and the history of this war is written, it will become evident that it is the United States which made the profit and it was Europe which fed Belgium. Our clothing appeal, which called for four million dollars for this last winter, a modest estimate of the needs, has resulted in slightly less than one million dollars worth of cloth, shoes and money to buy cloth. We have even been obliged to borrow funds from London for the immediate purchase of shoes, the situation became so desperate that this loan was made in the hope that later contributions from America would enable us to repay it."

Bigger and Faster Ships

NEWS despatches last night announced that the last of the torpedo boat destroyers, the Wilkes, has been launched at the Cramps ship yards in Philadelphia. She is supposed to be the last word in destroyer construction. A little earlier in the day the afternoon despatches told of the action of the house naval affairs committee, in discharging the dilatory plan of Secretary Daniels, and demanding a bigger navy for the United States as soon as possible. The five year building program was voted down, the committee evidently taking the stand that if ships of war are needed by the country they are needed at once.

The new naval program calls for the construction of five big battle cruisers and many supplementary vessels. So far very good, but the disappointing feature of the proposal is the size of the ships recommended by the committee. If there is one outstanding lesson the naval fights of this war has taught even lay observers, it is that speed and weight of metal are the two vital needs of any battle fleet. Lack of speed to out maneuver von Spee's squadron off the coast of Chile, added to lack of range in guns cost Great Britain Admiral Craddock and his ships. Out distanced and out ranged von Spee later fell victim to another British fleet. The same lesson has been repeated so often that one would think even a congressman could see and understand.

But apparently the members of the naval committee have not learned, for in their proposed new battle cruiser fleet the limit of size is set at 20,000 tons. Yet the Tiger and the Queen Mary measure 27,500, and the German Von Der Tann, launched in 1909, measures 21,000 tons, the Seydlitz, launched in 1912 is of 25,000 tons displacement and the Derfflinger and Lutzow, built in 1913 are 28,000 tons each, while the von Hindenberg, which was to have been named the Ersatz Hertha, is slightly larger. She was laid down in 1913 and was to have been completed in this year, but her construction was rushed because of the war, and she was launched late in 1915.

It is to be hoped that we shall never have to meet these ships in battle, but they are the vessels we must match ours with, and if we are deliberately to fall below the standard set by the great European people in their ship building programs we are but constructing steel coffins for our blue-jackets, should war come upon us.

What reason could there have been for the official statement in Washington on Saturday that the Sibley-Langhorne expedition would not be withdrawn from Mexico but would remain where it was indefinitely, when at the very time this report was given to the public the expedition was headed north on its way back to Texas? Even if the administration cannot be wise in its Mexican policy, it can at least be truthful in its announcements to the public.